CLEAN VERSION OF THE CLAIMS

35. A bioerodible implant for treating an inflammation-mediated condition of an eye in an individual, the implant comprising a steroidal anti-inflammatory agent and a bioerodible copolymer without an added release modifier, the implant structured to be placed in the vitreous of the eye by being an extruded filament with a weight between about 500 μg and about 1100 μg which releases at least about 20% of the agent within about 20 days in vitro.

37. The implant according to claim 35, wherein the steroidal anti-inflammatory agent is selected from the group consisting of cortisone, dexamethasone, hydrocortisone, methylprednisolone, prednisolone, prednisone, triamcinolone and mixtures thereof.

38. The implant according to claim 35, wherein the steroidal anti-inflammatory agent is dexamethasone.

39. The implant according to claim 35, wherein the implant releases at least about 30% of the agent after about 20 days in vivo.

42. The implant according to claim 35, wherein the steroidal anti-inflammatory agent comprises about 50 to about 80 weight percent of the implant.

43. The implant according to claim 42, wherein the steroidal anti-inflammatory agent comprises about 70% by weight of the implant.

44. The implant according to claim 35, wherein the bioerodible copolymer is a polyester.

45. The implant according to claim 44, wherein the bioerodible copolymer is polylactic acid polyglycolic acid (PLGA) copolymer.

46. The implant according to claim 35, wherein the inflammation mediated condition of the eye to be treated is selected from the group consisting of uveitis, macular edema, macular degeneration, retinal detachment, ocular tumors, fungal infections, viral infections, multifocal choroiditis, diabetic uveitis, proliferative vitreoretinopathy (PVR), sympathetic opthalmia, Vogt Koyanagi-Harada (VKH) syndrome, histoplasmosis, and uveal diffusion.

47. The method according to claim 46, wherein the inflammation mediated condition of the eye to be treated is uveitis.

51. The implant according to claim 35, wherein the individual whose eye is to be treated is a human.

52. An implant for treating an inflammation-mediated condition of the eye in an individual, comprising a solid body structured for placement into the vitreous of the eye by being an extruded filament with a weight between about 500 μg and about 1100 μg which releases at least about 30% of the agent within about 20 days in vitro.

55. The implant according to claim 52, wherein the steroidal anti-inflammatory agent is selected from the group consisting of cortisone, dexamethasone, hydrocortisone, methylprednisolone, prednisolone, prednisone, triamcinolone and mixtures thereof.

56. The implant according to claim 52, wherein the steroidal anti-inflammatory agent is dexamethasone.

61. The implant according to claim 52, wherein the steroidal anti-inflammatory agent comprises about 50 to about 80 weight percent of the implant.

62. The implant according to claim 61, wherein the steroidal anti-inflammatory agent comprises about 70% by weight of the implant.

63. The implant according to claim 61, wherein the steroidal anti-inflammatory agent comprises about 50% by weight of the implant.

64. The implant according to claim 52, wherein the bioerodible copolymer is a polyester.

65. The implant of claim 52, wherein the bioerodible copolymer is polylactic acid polyglycolic acid (PLGA) copolymer.

66. The implant according to claim 52, wherein the inflammatory mediated condition of the eye to be treated is selected from the group consisting of uveitis, macular edema, macular degeneration, retinal detachment, ocular

tumors, fungal infections, viral infections, multifocal choroiditis, diabetic uveitis, proliferative vitreoretinopathy (PVR), sympathetic opthalmia, Vogt Koyanagi-Harada (VKH) syndrome, histoplasmosis, and uveal diffusion.

67. The implant according to claim 66, wherein the inflammation-mediated condition of the eye to be treated is uveitis.